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**Art Unit 3676**

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 10/620,804; Filed: July 2, 2003  
For: **Reversible Magnetic Door Stop/Latch**  
Inventor: Edward B. Ferguson  
Our Ref: 1634.0080001/TUM/PAS

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Reply to Requirement For Election of Species; and
2. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

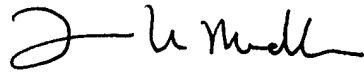
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Respectfully submitted,

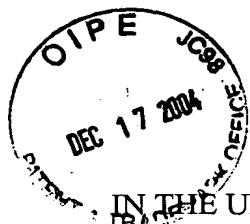
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**Reply to Requirement For Election of Species**

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 17, 2004, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group II, as illustrated in FIGs. 4 and 6 for example, where a magnet is mounted onto a door's surface (as shown in FIG. 4). Further to a discussion that applicant's representative had with the Examiner on December 8, 2004, this election also includes where a magnet is mounted on a door frame (as shown in FIG. 6). Claims readable on this species are 1-3, 5, 7, 8 and 12-15. Claims 4 and 10 are to be withdrawn from consideration. This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed.

Applicant asserts the right to claim additional species in the event that a generic claim thereto is found to be allowable in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.141(a). This election is made **without traverse**. Consideration and allowance of all pending claims, are respectfully requested.

It is believed that extensions of time are not required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, in the event that

additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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